Mountain Weather Forecast

Snowdonia National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 25 Sep 2020 until 23:59 on Saturday 26 Sep 2020

Forecast Issued on Thursday 24 Sep 2020 at 16:56

Confidence: High confidence of cold, breezy but mostly sunny weather on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Low confidence for showers and thunderstorms on Thursday night and early Friday morning. Low confidence for the weather story on Monday.

Headline for Friday 25 Sep 2020: Mostly fine weather, but feeling cold in a brisk north wind.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 25 Sep 2020

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** No Likelihood
Thunderstorms Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy rain showers (night)	Light rain showers (night)	Heavy rain showers	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Light rain showers	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
30%	30%	20%	10%	<05%	10%	40%	20%

Forecast for Friday 25 Sep 2020

Weather: The early hours will be cold, with a chance of a slight grass frost in sheltered hollows. There is also a significant chance of heavy rain showers in the hours before 9am. During the day, there will be plenty of sunshine, and a small risk of the odd shower. It will feel cold in a brisk north westerly wind.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 60% until 9am. 90% after 9 am with cumulus clouds mostly well above the mountain tops.

Visibility: Excellent most of the time, with very good views of hills 40km or more away. In showers, visibility may drop briefly to 5 km or so.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	26/32 NE	33/41 N	33/41 N	30/40 N	30/41 N	31/42 NW	32/42 NW	30/39 NW	25/34 NW
600	17/23 N	22/30 N	19/27 N	21/29 N	24/34 N	24/35 NW	21/30 NW	18/27 NW	16/24 NW
300	10/20 N	14/27 N	12/26 N	15/26 N	18/32 N	18/31 NW	14/28 NW	12/26 NW	10/22 NW
Valley	11/21 N	15/29 N	14/28 N	16/29 N	19/33 N	19/33 NW	16/30 NW	14/28 NW	12/25 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	3/-4	3/-4	3/-4	4/-3	4/-2	4/-2	4/-3	3/-4	2/-4
600	5/0	5/0	5/0	6/1	7/2	7/2	6/1	5/0	4/-0
300	7/4	8/4	7/4	9/6	10/7	10/6	8/5	7/4	6/3
Valley	9/6	9/6	9/6	10/7	12/8	11/7	10/7	9/6	8/5
Freezing Level*	1300m	1200m	1100m	1200m	1200m	1300m	1200m	1100m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Note the sub-zero "feels like" temperatures on high ground. This is quite realistic as it will feel bitterly cold in the wind.

Forecast for Saturday 26 Sep 2020

Weather: The early hours will be very cold, with a grass frost quite likely in a few sheltered spots. Skies will be mostly clear, but there is a chance of a light rain shower, even a little sleet above 700m. During the day, there will be widespread sunshine and excellent visibility. Winds will be less strong than Friday, but still northerly, so it will feel rather cold. The odd rain shower is just possible during the morning.

Maximum wind: Northerly 20 mph with gusts of 35 mph on the summits.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 80% with cumulus clouds mostly above the mountain tops. After 5pm, reducing to 60% with some lower cloud later.

Visibility: Excellent most of the time, with very good views of hills 40km or more away. Perhaps reducing to 100m on the summits after 5pm where any cloud drops below the summits.

Temperature: **Valleys:** 5 Celsius at dawn, rising to 12 Celsius in the afternoon.
At 800m: 1 Celsius first thing, rising to 4 Celsius in the afternoon.
Freezing level: 700m at dawn rising well above the summits later.

Sunday	Another dry, bright but rather chilly day. More cloud than Saturday, perhaps covering the summits at times.
Monday	A chilly sunny start, with low cloud, hill fog and rain likely later in the day.
Tuesday	Probably a cold frosty start, followed by a dry and bright day with plenty of sunshine.

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